

Ellsworth Public Library Building/Space Committee Meeting  
Monday, March 8, 2021  
6:30 p.m.  
Virtual meeting via Zoom

The meeting was called to order by Chair Paul Bauer at 6:30 p.m.

A quorum was established.

Appointment of Notetaker: Judy Perkins

Meeting was in compliance with Open Meeting Law.

The motion was made by Judy Perkins and seconded by Sharon Schultze to approve the minutes from the following meetings:

- March 9, 2020 (full committee)
- June 8, 2020 (executive committee meeting)
- December 14, 2020 (executive committee meeting)

Motion carried.

**Current Business**

-Bob Loberg met with the BMO representative and was able to negotiate the price of the BMO Bank building down \$100,000.00. This was due to the possibility of an oil tank being buried on the bank site. There was some discussion on how the \$100,000.00 saved on the purchase of the BMO building would work into the Library Funding Project.

-Friends of the Library are continuing with their work on fundraisers.

-Tony Birkel reported that about \$155,000.00 has been raised and there is \$12,000.00 in pledges and \$20,000.00 verbal commitments.

-Sharon Schulze reported on Grants that are being written. She reminded the group that grants are not an immediate source of money. It does take some time to hear back and receive the funds if they are granted.

**New Business:**

-Fund raising will continue but other decisions will wait until after April 21, 2021 when the new Village Board members are in place.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Next meeting: TBD

Notetaker: Judy Perkins